

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Prior Art Unit: 2753

Application No.: Continuation Application of Serial No. 08/396,981, filed March 1, 1995 Prior Examiner: N. Hindi

Filed: November 22, 1999

For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES

PETITION REGARDING LOST APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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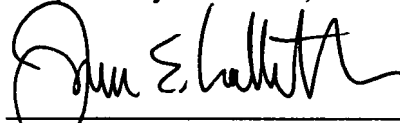
A status inquiry letter was filed on May 15, 2000.

The applicants hereby petition, assuming the PTO file for this application has been lost, that the application be reconstructed based on the attached papers. As proof of filing, a copy of the postcard receipt bearing the PTO Office Date stamp of receipt is attached.. Also attached is a proof of filing of a Preliminary Amendment on December 13, 1999.

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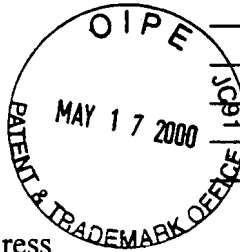
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— Preliminary Amendment	— Copy of Parent Reissue Application
— Response to Restriction Requirement	— Pages of Specification
— Supplemental Amendment	— Claims
— Election Requirement	— Declaration/Power of Attorney
— Confirmation Claim for Priority	— Abstract of the Disclosure
— Request for Extension of Time	— Sheets Drawings
— Request for Consideration	— New Case Transmittal
— Letter to Official Draftsman	— Small Entity Declaration
— with shts. of formal drwgs.	— Information Disclosure Statement
— Issue Fee Transmittal (in dup.)	— w/PTO-1449
— Change of Correspondence Address	



XX Petition Regarding Lost Application, including copies of:

- (1) Reissue Continuation Application: New Case Transmittal; True Copy of Parent Reissue Appln. as originally filed (23 pgs. Spec., 83 Claims, Abstract, 18 sheets of drwgs. (Figs. 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5-8, 9A, 9B, 10-17, 18A and 18B); Preliminary Amendment; IDS with PTO-1449; Confirmation Claim for Priority; PTO Rule 53(F) ltr w/names, addresses and residences of the inventors; and Change of Address and New Utility Patent Transmittal (in dup.), with postcard proof of filing; and
- (2) preliminary amendment filed December 13, 1999 with proof of filing.

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